

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment ("Notice"), dated September 17, 2003, the Applicant hereby provides a listing of all claims, and their current status. The foregoing is believed to be a complete response to the Notice and examination on the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

Please charge any shortage or credit any overpayment of fees to BLANK ROME, LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (000004-00661). In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and in the event that a separate petition does not accompany this response, Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.36(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee due is authorized above.

Respectfully submitted,

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